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Proposed Final Rules RPS-Existing Class II

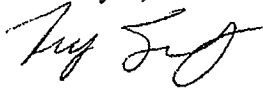
Dear Ms. Karp,

I am the owner of Sawyer's Trucking and Logging, a logging and forestry business with its office in Hubbardston. We have four employees and have been logging for more than 20 years.

The downturn in the business environment means, now more than ever, successful logging and wood lot management requires wood chip users/buyers who can cover more of the wood lot job costs. This is so, because in this economy forest management and thinning operations cannot depend as much on land development to cover costs.

The wood electrical power plant, Pinetree Fitchburg, is an important wood chip fuel buyer and we are a major supplier of its wood chip fuel. I and my employees appreciate any efforts your agency and the State can take to make sure that the renewable energy credits for existing wood power plants, like Pinetree Fitchburg, are valuable enough to make a difference and encourage this market for wood. As you can see this is important for good forestry jobs and businesses.

Thank you,



Ray Sawyer

cc to: Stephen Brewer, Senator
Mr. Bowles